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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A messaging system, comprising:
  - a client device to store a client application to be executed by said client device;
  - a server to store a server application to be executed by said server;
  - a plurality of wireless networks to communicate messages between said client device and said server, and to support one or more wireless network protocols;
  - a protocol gateway to encapsulate a fundamental network protocol, said fundamental network protocol to underline each of said one or more wireless network protocols and to include a protocol stack that corresponds substantially to an Open System Interconnection (OSI) model ~~and incorporates a simple network transport layer (SNTL)~~; and
  - a communicator to communicate a message between said client application and said server application over a selected wireless network protocol through said protocol gateway independent of said selected wireless network protocol.
2. (previously presented) The messaging system according to claim 1, wherein:
  - said SNTL maps to layer 4 of said OSI model.